Reconsideration of the LCA Engine

3656. SHRI SURESH KALMADI:
SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASANT:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) \vhether Government are re-considering the decision to fit F-404 engine to the Light Combat Aircraft (LCA), in view of F-404 engine failure which wcre: fitted to F-18 aircraft of Canadian Air Force;

(b) whether Government are also considering M-N8 Snemm. i engine instead of F-404; and

(c. ) when the production of the LCA would commence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRA. l PAUL): (a) No. Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

'(c) The delivery of series production of Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) would commence in 1994.

Nuclear Power Corporation

3657. SHRI SURESH KAL*MADI: Will the PRIME MINISTKR be please-ed to state:

(a) whether Government hav$_e$ set up a Nuclear Power Corporation! (NPC); "and

(b) if so, what are its details iind functions thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN" DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN); (a) Yes, Sir.

(bT To achieve fhV targetted nuclear power programme of 10, 000 MWe by th$_e$ turn of the century, the Nuclear Power Corporation has beea set up. Itg corporate structure will enable it to raise resources through market borrowings to supplement th; plan outlays and provide it the needed autonomy and flexibility to execute the programme.

Amendment of Central Administrative Tribunal Act

3658, SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the PRT'ME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court has once again issued a directive for amendment of Central Administrative Tribunal Act and if so, the dietails thereof and corrective steps proposed;

(b) whether only persons with Judicial background and experience are proposed tp be appointed for the Central Administrative Tribunal; and

(c) whether the Central Adminis trative Tribunal is proposed t$_0$ be directed to complete each case tnrough continuous daily hearing for quick and just disposal and for re ducing it work-load and heav$_y$ ad vocates fees?

THE. MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAM-BARAM): (a) Yes, Sir. The Supreme Court has mad© some directions mainly relating to the procedure of selection of Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Members of the Tribunal as well a$_s$ the eligibility for appointment to the post of Chairman and Vice Chairman. The Administrative Tribunals (Amendment) Bill, 1987 has already been- introduced in the current session of Parliament.

(b) For th$_e$ post of Chairman of the Central Administrative Tribunal